GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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GMDC's Mining Lease Application
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whetherany proposal of Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limitedis pending for approval with the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): A request from Government of Gujarat for allocation of E,F and G Lignite Blocks at Valia in South Gujarat in favour of Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation (GMDC) was received. The matter was examined in consultation with Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC). NLC has intended to retain the said lignite blocks for implementing NLC's 500 MW power project in Valia area.

Further, proposals from the State Government of Gujarat for prior approval on Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited's mining lease applications were received. However, since the area for which prior approval for mining lease was requested by the Government of Gujarat were not allocated as per the prevailing procedure, that is, either through Screening Committee or Government Dispensation route, no prior approval for mining lease in favour of GMDC was granted by the Central Government to Government of Gujarat.

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